





# UNIFIED SITUATION REPORT #51

**Event Name: BFHD COVID-19** 

Report Period: 10/03/2020 – 10/06/2020 Mis

Mission #: 20-0265

Jurisdictions Impacted: Benton & Franklin Counties

YELLOW HIGHLIGHTS DENOTE NEW/CHANGED INFORMATION

# **General Situation/Overview:**

On January 21, 2020, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) and Washington State Department of Health announced the first case of 2019 Novel Coronavirus (COVID-19) in the United States and in Washington State. As of 3/19/2020 a 24, 48, 72-hour planning projection of the response is being done daily. Friday's planning projection will encompass Saturday and Sunday, then resume normal planning projections on Monday.

# **Benton and Franklin County At-A-Glance**

Total Case Count Updated: 3:20pm 10/05/2020	Benton	Franklin
Confirmed*	<mark>4730</mark>	<mark>4409</mark>
Deaths**	117	54

\*Confirmed: positive test result. \*\*Peaths: BFHD defined a COVID-19 death as someone who died with COVID-19 as their primary cause of death, meaning they died because of COVID-19. DOH includes people who tested positive for COVID-19 and died, but may not have died of COVID-19. That's why the dashboard may show a higher number of deaths than we previously reported. DOH is currently updating their definition, and in the coming days, the total number of deaths reported on the dashboard may decrease

City Case Count 10/06/2020 3:20pm	April OFM Population	# of Cases
Pasco	77,100	<mark>3872</mark>
Mesa	495	<mark>102</mark>
Connell	5,500	<mark>366</mark>
Kahlotus	165	<mark>&lt;10</mark>
Eltopia	-	<mark>53</mark>
Kennewick	84,960	<mark>2758</mark>
Richland	58,550	<mark>1013</mark>
West Richland	15,710	<mark>235</mark>
Benton City	3,560	<mark>174</mark>
Prosser	6220	<mark>428</mark>
Plymouth	-	17
Paterson	-	<mark>12</mark>
Not Specified	-	108

Current Hospital Status Updated: 3:20pm 10/06/2020 M-F COVID Like Illness = CLI			COVID Like Illness = CLI
	# Hospitalized Patients	# COVID-19 Confirmed & CLI	% COVID-19 Confirmed & CLI
Current hospitalized patients	<mark>302</mark>	<mark>27</mark>	<mark>8.9%</mark>

Case Locations of Interest updated 3:20pm on 10/06/2020		
# of Cases		
Long Term Care Residents and Staff	<mark>543</mark>	

Please visit <u>Washington State Department of Corrections site</u> for current case counts at Coyote Ridge Corrections Center. ( <u>https://www.doc.wa.gov/corrections/covid-19/data.htm</u> )

## **OPERATIONS SECTION:**

<u>OUTBREAK MITIGATION & DATA:</u> Identify the COVID-19 spread, including clusters; track any lab confirmed cases and determine potential exposures. Identify the spread of COVID-19 in long-term care and community living facilities and provide infection control guidance and resources to those facilities. Input data from Epi into existing systems; WDRS and Redcap surveys.

- Active Outbreaks in the community: these outbreaks meet the definition of an outbreak as described in the 10/1/20
   Washington Outbreak report click link below for report
- https://www.doh.wa.gov/Portals/1/Documents/1600/coronavirus/StatewideCOVID-19OutbreakReport.pdf
  - General Business Community 14
  - Long Term Care Facilities 12
  - HealthCare Settings 2
  - Childcare Settings -0
  - Schools 1
  - Private Gathering 1
- Clean up pending outbreak spreadsheet removing those outbreaks that no longer "qualify" as on outbreak
- Schools team continues planning with the local school districts for Hybrid Learning models. Updated information has been posted to the School Guidance page to reinforce the recommendation made by the Health Officer to begin planning for Hybrid Learning <a href="https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/programs\_services/investigations">https://www.bfhd.wa.gov/programs\_services/investigations</a> outbreaks/c o v i d-19/school guidance
- Linking businesses with current outbreaks to the CBC West Test site for testing of their employees on Monday there were a couple of businesses who took advantage of this and brought their employees to test at the CBC West Site, this is an excellent example of community partnership
- Working with Vital Records to verify past COVID deaths
- Link previous cases in Schools and Long-Term Care in the Washington Disease Reporting System (WDRS) by occupation
- Review Department of Energy (DOE) on site testing process

## **CONTACT TRACING & CARE COORDINATION:**

- To date Care Coordination has received over 1000 case referrals. There were 60 cases referrals over the weekend and 10 cases referrals on Monday. Care Coordination team connects people in Isolation or quarantine to the services they need to stay isolated. This may be providing a Walgreens Hygiene kit or a Kroger Food box or connecting them with rent assistance, grocery or prescription delivery or other services Thank You Care Coordination Team for providing this valuable service for the community
- Contact Tracing team has been busier than usual as there has been an increase as of late in COVID cases to investigate.

## **COMMUNITY TESTING:**

- To date, the National Guard at the HAPO Center testing site has administered 15,334 COVID tests. Testing numbers this week are as follows: Tuesday 10/06, 217 tests
- The positivity rate at the HAPO site last week was 12.9%
- HAPO Test Site Hours of Operations –Tuesday Friday from 7:00am- 3:00pm

- CBC-West Test Site administered: To date the site has administered **1605 COVID tests**. Testing number this week are as follows: Saturday 10/3, 176 tests, Sunday 10/4, 125 tests, Monday 10/5, 386 tests
- The positivity rate at the CBC west Site last week was 12.1%
- CBC-West Test Site Hours of Operations –Thursday through Monday from 8:30am to 4:30pm. ONLINE <u>REGISTRATION</u> is HIGHLY RECOMMENDED. Click the link to be taken to the registration page <u>www.wacovid19.org/tricitiestesting</u>

<u>COMMUNITY RELATIONS / PUBLIC INFORMATION:</u> Keep our community informed and educated; providing accurate information. Maintain our call center and website; providing updated information. Develop and maintain media products for the weekly press conference.

- Med Tech will be on "Kadlec On Call" tonight on KONA at 6:00pm to discuss COVID in our area
- PIO working on information on Travel and testing there have been a large amount of calls into the call center relating to COVID testing and travel requirements check the website under Testing and FAQ's for posts coming soon
- BFHD Call center answered 121 calls last week
- BFHD Facebook post **Don't be a Debbie Downer** <a href="https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uzdv\_WsF8vU">https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=Uzdv\_WsF8vU</a> messaging a reminder to limit gathering size, and wear a face covering check out the YouTube video at the link above
- Check This out from the CDC titled: "Similarities and Differences between Flu and COVID-19 CDC: https://www.cdc.gov/flu/symptoms/flu-vs-covid19.htm
- BFHD press conference will be conducted Thursday at 9:00am covering the topic of the rising case counts and data trends in our area
- BFHD updates Website Twitter and Facebook daily

## LOGISTICS:

#### PPE RECEIVING/DISTRIBUTION:

- If you are curious to know how much PPE each county has received from the state you can find that information here <a href="https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/personal-protective-equipment/tracking-ppe-distribution">https://coronavirus.wa.gov/what-you-need-know/personal-protective-equipment/tracking-ppe-distribution</a>
- Supply both the HAPO Testing Site and CBC-West Testing Site with PPE as needed/requested
- Reminder entities should only be requesting assistance for those supplies they are unable to procure for themselves. PPE requests from Hospitals/EMS/Law Enforcement/Clinics/LTC/Dentists need to be sent to their respective Emergency Management no later than 10:00am every Friday or as circumstances dictate a weekly request will be made to the state every Friday for delivery of supplies the following week.
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### **DAILY and FUTURE OPERATIONS:**

## **RECURRING ACTIVITIES:**

- Daily at 8:00am Operational Briefing via ZOOM if you would like an invite for this Zoom meeting email Janae Parent at <a href="mailto:janaep@bfhd.wa.gov">janaep@bfhd.wa.gov</a>
- Tuesday and Friday Planning meeting at 4:00pm Planning Meeting via ZOOM if you would like an invite for this Zoom meeting email Janae Parent at janaep@bfhd.wa.gov
- Monday and Friday at 5:00 dissemination of BFHD Incident Action Plan released Tuesday IAP will cover Wednesday-Friday and the Friday IAP will cover Saturday-Tuesday.

- Tuesday at 1:00pm Region 8 Healthcare and partners call
- Every other Tuesday at 2:00pm BFHD hosts local elected officials and decision-makers conference call next meeting is Oct. 20<sup>th</sup>
- Tuesday at 2:00 SEOC Unified Command Ops to BFHD Command Ops meeting
- Tues/Fri at 5:00pm Unified Situational Report (SitRep) released will Change to Wednesdays only will start Oct 21st
- Wednesday at 10:30am Local Hospital/Clinic/EMS/EM coordination call via ZOOM
- Wednesday at 1:30pm Call with local agricultural partners
- Every other Wednesday at 1:00pm North Franklin County Community Leadership meeting call in phone 1-509-545-3555 meeting number: 5847# access code: 3555# Next meeting October 14<sup>th</sup>
- Thursday at 11:30am Coordination call with the WA State EOC, 1-877-820-7831, password 782831# State SitRep is not produced on the weekends it will be sent M-F only
- Every other Thursday at 1:30 Municipality Advisory Council next meeting Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>
- Every other Thursday at 2:30pm call with BFHD and LTC agencies next meeting Oct. 15<sup>th</sup>
- Every other Friday at 2:00pm Central and Eastern WA Counties meeting to discuss farmworkers and H2A Housing community's information/concerns/coordination

#### **FUTURE OPERATIONS:**

- Sustainability planning for the BFHD COVID response. BFHD Incident Command will transition out of the Franklin County ECC and back to BFHD main office beginning Oct 16<sup>th</sup>
- Continue planning efforts in preparation for when the governor releases restrictions on movements between the phases of the safe start plan. Planning for a Phase 3 request for our area
- School planning for in-person hybrid learning following <75 cases per 100,000 threshold
- Flu vaccination communicating the importance of receiving a flu shot this year

#### **CURRENT RISKS:**

- School re-opening across the two counties
- Public Information for Halloween/Corn Mazes/Haunted Houses and impacts from those events
- Flu season and recognition of Flu vs. COVID
- Check This out from the CDC titled: "Similarities and Differences between Flu and COVID-19"
   CDC: <a href="https://www.cdc.gov/flu/symptoms/flu-vs-covid19.htm">https://www.cdc.gov/flu/symptoms/flu-vs-covid19.htm</a>

# WHERE TO FIND MORE INFORMATION:

- Benton-Franklin Health District- All News: <a href="https://www.bfhd.wa.gov">https://www.bfhd.wa.gov</a>
- Washington State Department of Health: <a href="https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus">https://www.doh.wa.gov/Emergencies/Coronavirus</a>
- Center for Disease Control and Prevention: https://www.cdc.gov/coronavirus/2019-ncov/index.html
- REDI Healthcare Coalition: <a href="https://srhd.org/programs-and-services/hcc/eei-">https://srhd.org/programs-and-services/hcc/eei-</a>

## **DISTRIBUTED TO:**

Local Health Jurisdiction: Management Team, EOC/ECC Staff, all BFHD Staff

Region 8: Local Emergency Response Coordinators, Emergency Management agencies, healthcare partners, Fire/EMS agencies

WA State: Regional Emergency Response Coordinators, DOH Duty Officer

Eastern WA: REDi Coalition Duty Officer Cross Boarder: Oregon Regions 6 and 9 Liaisons